

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

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- Formation of Voluntary Subcommittee: The Board is forming a voluntary subcommittee, who will review the current laws and regulations and make recommendations to the Board. The Board welcomes the participation from practitioners working in various settings as well as other stakeholders as it updates its laws and regulations for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.
 - The subcommittee work will begin late August 2018 and is expected to conclude by March 2019.
 - o The subcommittee will meet at least monthly for 2-4 hours.
 - If selected to serve you will be notified by the Board and informed of meeting times and dates.
 - If you are interested in being considered to serve on the voluntary subcommittee, please submit a statement indicating the current client population you work with and why you want to participate on the committee to alma.white@dc.gov by August 10, 2018.
- Supervised Practice: As new graduates (an individual no longer in a student/intern/practicum status) are entering the workforce, physical therapists are reminded that a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant must be licensed before providing services unless approval for supervised practice has been received.

<u>Supervised Practice Approval</u> – A Board approved status which allows an individual with a complete* licensure application the opportunity to work while the application is in the processing phase. A Request for Supervised Practice Form must be submitted to the Board and approved before any provision of services can begin.

*A complete licensure application means, all required forms and documents have been received, meet the requirements, and there is no positive criminal background result.

• <u>LGBTQ Training:</u> The 0.2 CEU's related to LGBTQ training will be required during each license renewal cycle beginning January 31, 2021. The period where licensees are mandated to obtain the CEUS is February 1, 2019 – January 31, 2021. If any licensees take an LGBTQ courses before February 1, 2019, the Board has decided the credit(s) will be accepted as regular CEU(s) since the mandated period for the courses will not be enforced until the 2021 renewal mentioned above.

The public is invited to attend the Open Session of Board meetings. For meeting dates and times view the Boards web page at www.doh.dc.gov.